

House Resolution No. 2854

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives regard the birth of a child as one of life's most joyful, rewarding, and miraculous events; and

Whereas, it is with both pride and pleasure that this legislative body pauses to acknowledge the arrival of a very special addition to the citizenry of this great state; and

Whereas, Geoffrey Lewis Penn entered this world at 9:53 a.m. on May 5, 2003, and received a delightful welcome from the smiling faces of his parents, Matt and Shawna Penn of Mexico, Missouri; and

Whereas, tipping the scales at 7 pounds, 15.6 ounces, little Geoffrey was pronounced the very picture of infant health and beauty by the professional staff at Audrain Medical Center; and

Whereas, news of Geoffrey's birth soon warmed the hearts of other family members, including his sister, Gracelyn; his grandparents, David and Millie Penn of Mexico and Marvin and Beverly Wright of Washington; and his great-grandparents, Lewis Penn of Mexico and Ed Parsons of Washington; and

Whereas, Geoffrey will never lack love, support, or encouragement because of these wonderfully devoted relatives who will forever play an important part in the growth and development of this spectacular child in the years to come; and

Whereas, Geoffrey will benefit especially from the loving care of his mother, Shawna, who is a teacher in the Sturgeon School District, and his father, Matt, who is a youth minister at Centennial Baptist Church; and

Whereas, although he is only a few days old, Geoffrey can rest assured that he has been blessed with the best family in the whole wide world:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join in extending a very cordial Show-Me State welcome to Geoffrey Penn and in offering our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to his parents, Matt and Shawna Penn, upon the precious birth of their beautiful baby boy; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the parents of adorable, little Geoffrey Lewis Penn, as a memento of his early days of Missouri citizenship.

Offered by _____
Representative Steve Hobbs
District No. 21

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2854, adopted May 13, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker